

Marlinton, Friday, Jan. 21, 1898.

Entered at the post-office at Marlinton, W. Va., as second class matter.

He knew the law to be a knavish science. Made to demoralize ingenious clients. Who ever saw a single instance yet of any debtor sneaking out of debt by pleading usury or limitation. Save by a lawyer's pen and penitence? Who ever skulked behind the law's delay. Unless some shrewd attorney showed the way; By his superior skill got the ascendant. And led astray the innocent defendant? —Milton.

THE case of the State vs. Mr. George W. Atkinson will be tried at a special term of court of Gilmer County to be called next May.

AFTER a stormy debate, Congress decided to distribute garden seeds as usual. About a million and a half was appropriated for the purpose.

RECENT riots in Havana made by the anti-autonomist Spaniards, in honor of the hateful Weyler, may precipitate the official recognition which the United States can not withhold forever.

JAMES A. HOLLY, of Lincoln County, was chosen Clerk of the Supreme Court of Appeals. A strong petition went from this county in favor of Hon. John W. Arbuckle, of Lewisburg, but General Holley applied for the office too near Christmas time to be beaten.

THE Republican paper recently published at Harrisonburg, Virginia, has suspended publication. The Spectator and Vindicator remarks that prosperity must have struck it. This seems to be literally true, for the management has been so well rewarded with federal patronage that they do not have to work any more.

SENATOR MARK HANNA was elected to the United States Senate for two terms, last week, aggregating seven years and two months. Open charges of bribery were made and an effort to unseat him has been instituted. The Republican party is very much divided in Ohio and the chances of the Democratic party carrying the State this fall are more than good.

THE Charleston Gazette clears Judge Dent of Nepotism in relation to the recent appointment of a clerk of the Supreme Court. For the benefit of the reader we did the mystery explore and found that it meant undue favoritism of relations. The way the matter came up was the appearance of a first cousin of Judge Dent as assistant of the newly appointed clerk.

SENATOR HOAR brought up the annual resolution proposing the amendment to the constitution changing the inauguration day from the 4th of March to the 30th of April. The only objection we could have to it is that it prolongs the administration of Mr. McKinley nearly two months. This could be remedied by letting the inauguration of his successor take place on the 30th day of April, 1900.

THE state of affairs in Cuba seems more in the clouds than ever. For awhile it looked as if autonomy would be successful, but now it appears well-nigh hopeless. It is reported that eleven officers sent out by the authorities of the autonomy government recently declared established have been summarily shot by the Cubans without listening to a word of the terms they were sent to propose. With the Cubans it is sink or swim, survive or perish.

PIERCE'S memorandum books arrived the other day, causing a good deal of trouble to the mail carriers and postmasters. Every year this kind of quacks sends out his elaborate advertisements, causing the woman, who is weak enough to read them, to imagine that she is a physical wreck. Curiosity is the female weakness which most of Pierce's patients suffer from. The memorandum books play an important part in country business circles, one of them often constituting the only ledger kept by the farmer. Nothing is more common than to see them produced in court to "refresh the memory" or to prove the case.

THOUGHTLESS ADVICE.

The editor of the Hinton Independent-Herald advises the editor of the Times to use "Old red liquor as that will fill a man with inspiration quicker than any thing else," and he speaks as one having authority. One of the greatest troubles with the productions of the well-known Sawyers, of Hinton, is that they are too realistic. If he thinks of a swear-word, down it goes on the editorial page; and if a questionable thought comes to him it, too, is apt to be incorporated in a leading article. In his more serious moments he will agree with us that the inspiration that comes from liquor when it is red is of a kind that is apt to get the weak vessel which holds the liquor in trouble. It is the kind of inspiration that leads its victim to write a check for fifty instead of five dollars; to try to go to bed on the bureau; to have wounds without cause; and to adopt a platform of principles that he is unable to maintain in his wader of battle.

Sawyers and Opie Reed disagree on this question, it is evident. The latter makes one of his characters, in speaking of country lawyers, lament the fact that most of them knew more about breaking jacks-pots than they did of bills in chancery, and declared that "poker never yet has made a pleader, nor whiskey a poet."

Another authority says that professional men about a county seat ruin their constitutions by constant internal jolts, and their voices by saying "that's good!" including therein the two besetting sins of professional men.

Every man that drinks to any extent has to be on his guard all the time to see that he remains decently temperate. Gossip exaggerates the failing of any man and is apt to drive him to worse courses. The temptation is presented to every man as he attains his growth, and boys are saved by the danger being pointed out by precept and example. Every writer who gives advice on this subject should say Don't! Do this, and still this branch of trade will receive more than its just or proportionate share.

Every newspaper should protest against the use of intoxicants, and every man who feels that he is strong-minded enough to use liquor with impunity will uphold the course, for there may be some boy growing up in whom he is interested, and of whom he cannot be sure; and those men who have used it until they are a reproach to their friends will aid such a course, not only by the powerful object lesson they present, but in freely expressed sentiments as to the evil of the habit. The only way to do is to keep pounding away at the danger, and to take every opportunity for speaking of it.

THE BANK OF MARLINTON.

THE owner of the Marlinton drug store, Dr. Price, has been notified that the building will be needed in the spring for other purposes, confirming the report that a bank is to open for business at that time. Nothing is needed more, and we feel sure that our banking people generally will patronize it. Also a large number of farmers who do not realize the convenience of having a deposit in bank subject to check, as well as the safety, will make use of this institution instead of the time honored "stocking." It may not be out of place to recite the few and simple rules necessary to open an account with a bank. In the first place, a little money is necessary. The bank receipts for it and gives you a bank book in which all your transactions are recorded when you present it to be "balanced." The cashier takes a specimen signature, in order not to cash a forged check if possible; any private mark may be made part of the signature. The bank furnishes you a blank check book. Then you are at liberty to draw checks until your money gives out. Most ladies think they can write checks as long as they have blank checks left. The advantages derived are evident: A receipt is had in every cancelled check; the depositor is relieved of fears of robbery; and any amount can be paid which is of first importance when change is scarce. A five dollar check often pays as many debts as a five dollar bill. There is undoubtedly a large number of men in this county who will open a checking account with the new bank who have never yet signed a check.

New York News Letter.

Dwight L. Moody, the world-famed evangelist, is holding forth at Carnegie Hall, this city, and his meetings are filled to overflowing. All kinds and sorts of people listen to him preach the Word of God,—rich, poor, young and old. It is a truly wonderful magnetism he possesses. This man is a good man; no hypocrisy about him. He talks in plain language and his auditors go away thinking and keep on a thinking, to return the next day a great deal better both in mind and body, and before many days they join Mr Moody in his good work and endeavor to convert their friends. And they generally do. Mr Moody in the course of his sermon yesterday said: "The smile of the Lord is better than all the offices of Tammany Hall can give." After each meeting scores of his listeners wend their way to the platform to shake hands with the preacher.

The Democratic government of this city is gradually getting in working order. Two years ago when the Reformers got in they could not "turn the rascals out" fast enough. Now the tables have been turned. Mr Democrat (or as our Republican neighbor calls us—Tammany) is losing no time in turning the Reform rascals out of office—and they do not like it a bit.

Probably if you are at all interested in the ring you have noticed that Fitzsimmons and Corbett are still talking. The latest came by wire yesterday from Pompadour Jim. Mr Corbett has offered the sum of \$25,000 and an additional \$10,000 to Fitz if he will stand up to him for 10 rounds. Corbett says if he does not knock Fitz down and out in the 10 rounds why he will cheerfully hand over the \$35,000 to his opponent. Fitz's reply was a broad smile and "have a talk to my manager Julian." These people have shows on the road and this is the way they receive valuable advertising.

Not long ago a policeman in this big town was detailed in citizen's clothes to stop the boys playing football in the streets. A boy by the name of McNally was playing when along comes the "cop." He ordered the boy to halt—to be arrested. The boy naturally ran. This great big fool of a detective got out his revolver and fired. The boy was wounded, but happily not dangerously. Mr Policeman is now on trial, and the chances are his position will be lost. The department can easily spare such men.

The trolley cars will shortly be in operation over the Brooklyn Bridge. Wires, tracks, etc. are ready.

Richard Croker has just added to his laurels. A coal barge was named after him. As Mr Croker is a very successful man, the barge no doubt will prove equally so.

A man by the name of W. P. Goerdes was arrested the other day in the vicinity of Wall Street, charged with forging a check for \$18,122.50. This is the case of a man who had speculated, and who had been driven to the wall. In order to retrieve his losses he resorted to this means to raise money. The way of the transgressor is hard.

Business is so-so. The weather is warm, foggy, and every thing is quiet. GEORGE M. SANGSTER. January 12, 1898.

EX-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND's residence was burglarized the other day from garret to cellar. He knows now how it goes to be robbed.

Fiduciary Notice.

All persons interested take notice that the accounts of the following named decedents are before me for settlement: J. S. Mace, Exor of Wm E Mace, dec'd. A. N. Barlow, Exor. of Jacob Sharp, dec'd. I. B. Moore admr. of Moses Moore dec'd. Susan McLaughlin guardian of Allie McLaughlin. John A. Moore, Admr. of S. P. Moore, dec'd. Georgia P. Dever, Admr of Francis Dever dec'd. J. C. Arbogast, Admr of Peter Beverage dec'd. L. M. McCLINTIC, Commissioner of Accounts.



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PARIS, the capital of the French nation, claims to be the flower of civilization. The French officer stands out as the typical soldier of the 19th century for all that is elegant in war or peace. This is the way one writes who is in the African expedition:

"The native carriers give us much trouble. We seized them forcibly and they attempted to escape at every opportunity. We vainly shot or hanged those we captured, but others continued to escape. Many were recaptured, but several succeeded. We were obliged to enter villages with a few riflemen and seize all the men and women found therein. Sometimes the whole population fled. We then burned a few huts which generally induced them to return. We then seized the chief and compelled him to give us slaves to carry our loads. This is the only way to deal with these brutes, whom we have seen quarrel over the bodies of their shot comrades for food."

It is sad to the humane heart to reflect that there should be blood crying to heaven for vengeance shed by civilized hands where "Africa's sunny fountains roll down their golden sands."

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THE Pocahontas Times. . . . Was a weekly visitor during 1897 to no less than 1000 families in Pocahontas County and the near counties. If you want to reach the people of Pocahontas you must advertise! THE MEDIUM that reaches one thousand families in Pocahontas must pay advertisers.

Please Notice!

I am still here, and new goods coming in every week and going out at the same rate. Come when you will I have something new; and good bargains for cash customers. If you have but little to buy with it will pay you to investigate my goods and prices. I am still buying Grain of all kinds, Turkeys, Chickens, Eggs, Butter, &c.

SOME PRICES—Green Coffee, 12 to 15c. Arbuckle Coffee, 9 for \$1.00. Calicoes, 44 to 7c. Cotton Cloth, 5 to 9c. Flannels, 20 to 30c. Gingham, 5 to 8c. Outings, 7 to 12c. Shoes, \$1.00 to \$2.75. Yarn, 70 to 90c. Suit Clothes, \$3.00 to \$12.00. S. J. BOGGS, HUNTERSVILLE, W. VA.

List of Real Estate

Sold in the County of Pocahontas, in the month of January, 1898, for the non-payment of the taxes charged thereon for the years 1895 and 1896, and purchased by individuals:

Table with columns: Name of Purchaser, Quantity of Land Sold, Quantity of Land Purchased, Acres, and Whole Amount Paid by Purchaser. Lists various land parcels and their owners.

The owner of any real estate above described and sold, his heirs, or assigns, or any person having a right to charge such real estate for a debt, may redeem the same by paying to the purchaser, his heirs or assigns, within one year from the sale thereof, the amount specified in the last column of the above table, and such additional taxes as may have been paid by the purchaser, his heirs or assigns, with interest on said purchase money and taxes at the rate of twelve per centum per annum from the time the same may have been so paid. Given under my hand this 10th day of January, 1898, R. W. HILL, Sheriff.

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